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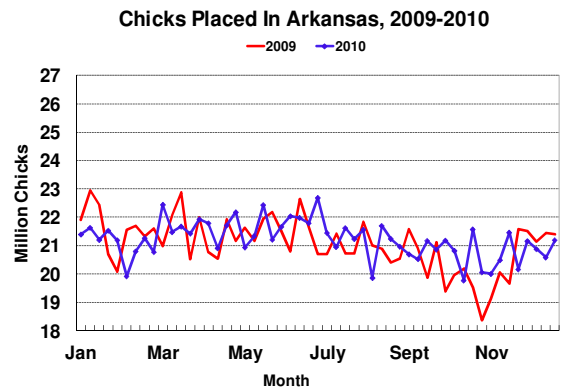
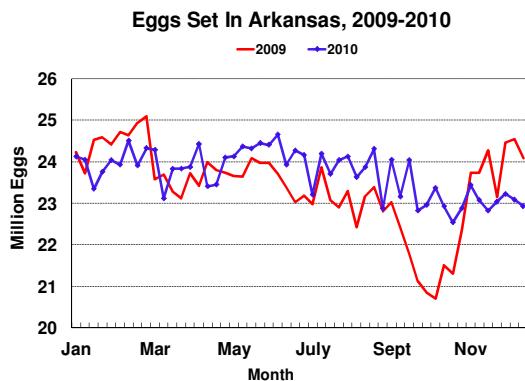


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Arkansas Chick Placements Down 1 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 21.2 million during the week ending January 1, 2011. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week in 2010 but up 3 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 23.0 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending January 1, 2011, down 5 percent from the same period last year and up slightly from the previous week.



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, December 4, 2010 - January 1, 2011

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	4-Dec	11-Dec	18-Dec	25-Dec	1-Jan	4-Dec	11-Dec	18-Dec	25-Dec	1-Jan
	<i>1,000 eggs</i>					<i>1,000 chicks</i>				
Alabama	29,542	30,057	29,994	29,752	29,728	19,825	20,107	21,106	21,089	21,201
Arkansas	23,033	23,223	23,086	22,926	22,983	20,162	21,159	20,876	20,587	21,197
Delaware	4,150	4,181	4,090	4,170	4,013	4,967	5,663	4,452	3,770	5,387
Florida	1,360	1,310	1,236	1,360	1,298	1,219	1,207	1,183	1,253	1,135
Georgia	33,477	33,031	33,500	33,138	32,830	27,178	27,160	27,679	26,934	27,583
Kentucky	7,250	7,598	7,128	7,585	7,361	5,981	6,624	6,355	5,815	5,815
Louisiana	3,395	3,364	3,425	3,410	3,380	3,057	3,022	3,012	2,980	2,968
Maryland	7,291	7,661	7,653	7,581	7,600	6,364	5,145	7,653	6,972	5,629
Mississippi	18,584	18,727	17,903	18,803	18,773	15,713	16,160	16,301	16,200	16,213
N. Carolina	19,609	19,228	19,933	20,044	18,828	15,476	15,943	16,236	15,677	15,372
Oklahoma	6,211	6,307	6,437	6,475	6,509	4,975	3,310	4,543	4,533	3,382
Pennsylvania	3,959	4,050	4,044	3,866	3,937	3,081	3,180	3,152	3,235	3,276
S. Carolina	5,432	5,587	5,585	5,608	5,683	4,599	4,656	4,117	4,949	4,275
Texas	15,272	15,698	15,745	15,619	15,400	13,339	13,588	14,021	13,081	13,398
Virginia	5,943	5,951	5,655	5,543	5,964	4,376	5,249	4,299	4,572	4,371
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,625	19,025	18,871	18,750	19,083	17,955	16,875	16,078	16,332	17,527
19 State Total	203,133	204,998	204,285	204,630	203,370	168,267	169,048	171,063	167,979	168,729
Prev. Year Total	201,274	205,271	204,677	203,723	202,676	166,323	167,012	168,345	167,108	169,296
% of Prev. Year	101	100	100	100	100	101	101	102	101	100

Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set Up Slightly

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 203 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 1, 2011. This was up slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed Down Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 1, 2011. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through January 1, 2011 were 8.80 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.